



Legislative Bill Tracking 2006

The 59th session of the legislature adjourned on March 8, 2006, shortly after 9 p.m. There were 1,716 bills introduced. This is up 10 percent from the 1,567 bills filed in the 2004 session, also a 60 day session.

HOUSE BILLS PASSED AND SIGNED INTO LAW AS OF March 13, 2006

- HB 2292 - Relating to improving health care by increasing patient safety, reducing medical errors, reforming medical malpractice insurance.
- HB 2333 - Relating to parity for home care agency.
- HB 2364 - converting or merging a federal, foreign, or out of state credit union into a state charter.
- HB 2370 - Relating to low-income home and energy assistance.
- HB 2419 - Relating to hosting the national conference of lieutenant governors.
- HB 2661 - Civil Rights legislation.
- HB 3278 - Relating to making adjustments in the unemployment insurance system.
- HB 2608 - Relating to the volunteer fire fighters' and reserve officers' relief and pension act.

EDUCATION

- HB 2582- Expanding high school completion - **DID NOT PASS.**
- HB 2581 - Community Involvement - **DID NOT PASS.**
- HB 2764 - Regarding academic requirements - **DID NOT PASS.**
- HB 2941 - Phasing in requirements for the Certificate of Academic Achievement - **DID NOT PASS.**
- HB 2923 - Adopting a weighted multiple measures - **DID NOT PASS.**
- HB 2998 - Revising the high school assessment system- **DID NOT PASS.**
- HB 3127 - Regarding the center for the improvement of student learning and the education ombudsman - **PASSED**
- HB 2964 - Creating the department of early learning - **PASSED**
- HB 2507- Prohibiting false or misleading college degrees - **PASSED**

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- HB 2583 - Regarding Community and technical college part-time academic employee benefits - **PASSED**
- HB 2857 - Revising terms of appointment of student regents and trustees - **PASSED**

HEALTH CARE

- SB 6193 - Requiring surveys of health professions work force supply and demographics - **PASSED**
- ESB 6194 - Requiring multicultural education for health professionals - **PASSED**
- SB 6195 - Requiring health impact assessments - Passed
- SB 6196 - Including a member of the American Indian Health Commission for Washington State on the state board of health- **PASSED**
- SB 6197 - Creating the governor's interagency council on health disparities- **PASSED**

VOTING RIGHTS

- HB 2594 - Requiring the county auditor to provide bilingual voting registration forms, ballots, and all voting materials for any language group that meets the criteria - **DID NOT PASS.**

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